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SUMMARY: JAPANESE BUSINESSMEN'S GROUP UNDER KEIDANREN
CHAIRMAN UEMURA WILL VISIT PRC SEPT 1 TO 10. GROUP, COM-
POSED OF YOUNGER BUSINESS LEADERS, WILL DISCUSS VARIOUS
ECONOMIC MATTERS, BUT DETAILS NOT YET CLEAR. END SUMMARY.

1. RECENT JAPANESE PRESS ARTICLE INDICATED THAT JAPAN-
ESE BUSINESSMEN'S DELEGATION UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP KOGORO
UEMURA, PRESIDENT, KEIDANREN (FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC
ORGANIZATIONS), WOULD VISIT PRC FROM SEPT 1 TO 10 TO
DISCUSS ECONOMIC MATTERS WITH CHINESE LEADERS. ARTICLE
SPECULATES GROUP WILL MEET HIGH LEVEL LEADERS FOR WIDE-
RANGING DISCUSSION.

2. ON AUGUST 10, KAZUO NUKAZAWA, ASST DIR, INTL ECONOMIC
AFFAIRS DEPT, KEIDANREN, PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMA-
TION CONCERNING TRIP. ALTHOUGH DATE OF TRIP, SEPT 1-10,
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IS FIRM, ALL OTHER DETAILS QTE NEBULOUS UNQTE AT THIS

TIME. JAPANESE SIDE DOES NOT KNOW YET WITH WHOM IT WILL MEET OR WHAT SPOTS IT WILL VISIT. PRC SIDE WILL INFORM JAPANESE DELEGATION RE THESE MATTERS WHEN DELEGATION ARRIVES IN PRC, AND JAPANESE WILL ACCEPT PRC DECISIONS. DELEGATION IS DISCUSSING WITH FONOFF SUBJECTS TO BE RAISED, BUT NO DECISIONS REACHED YET EXCEPT THAT OFFICIAL MATTERS SUCH AS CIVAIR AGREEMENT WILL NOT BE RAISED BY DELEGATION. IT POSSIBLE THAT PRC RESOURCES, IN PARTICULAR OIL, WILL BE RAISED BY JAPANESE, BUT EVEN THIS NOT YET FIRM. NUKAZAWA OBSERVED THAT WHILE PRC WILL DETERMINE WITH WHOM DEL MAY MEET AND WHERE IT MAY GO, JAPANESE SIDE CAN OF COURSE DECIDE WHETHER PRC WIDE WILL RESPOND.

3. MEMBERS OF DELEGATION WERE DESCRIBED BY NUKAZAWA AS SECOND GENERATION LEADERS WHO ARE JUNIOR BUT OUT-SPOKEN, WITH EXCEPTION UEMURA. PURPOSE OF TRIP IS QTE NOT TOO SERIOUS. IT IS PART EDUCATIONAL, PART SIGHTSEEING, WITH PERHAPS SOME BUSINESS IN BETWEEN. THIS AGREEABLE TO UEMURA, WHO RETIRES SOON. UNQTE.

4. COMMENT: NUKAZAWA'S REMARKS RE PURPOSE OF VISIT WERE IN MARKED CONTRAST TO TONE OF ARTICLE, WHICH STATED THAT QTE HIGH-POWERED UNQTE DELEGATION WOULD BE QTE LARGEST AND MOST POWERFUL DELEGATION TO BE SENT CHINA BY JAPANESE BUSINESS CIRCLES UNQTE.

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